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SUBJ: GOF PERMITS CHARTER FLIGHTS

1. PRESS REPORTS JULY 19 THAT GOF HAS APPROVED CHARTER FLIGHTS THROUGH NADI AIRPORT TO AIR HIBISCUS. ACCORDING TO REPORT, AIRLINE'S MANAGING DIRECTOR, MIKE BARTLETT, RECEIVED LICENSE FROM GOF OFFICIAL ON JULY 15 AND LEFT SHORTLY THEREAFTER, ...HE IS EXPECTED TO BE IN NEW YORK IN ABOUT FORTNIGHT TO START BALL ROLLING FOR CHARTER FLIGHTS FROM US, NASSAU, AND OTHER COUNTRIES. LICENSE CONTAINS CONDITIONS, INCLUDING ONE THAT AIR HIBISCUS PASSENGERS HAVE TO SPEND MINIMUM OF FOUR DAYS IN FIJI AND AIRLINE WILL HAVE TO GUARANTEE RETURN AIR FARES OF PASSENGERS. ROUND TRIP FARE BETWEEN US AND FIJI WILL REPORTEDLY BE USDOLS 640.

2. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT DESPITE REPRESENTATIONS TO CONTRARY FROM OTHER CARRIERS, GOF WILL PERMIT AIR HIBISCUS UNRESTRICTED PICK-UP AND OFF-LOAD IN FIJI. REGULARLY SCHEDULED AIRLINES EXPECT THAT THEIR LOAD FACTORS WILL FALL OFF SHOULD HIBISCUS CHARTERS MATERIALIZE.

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